## A SINGLE RIE PROCESS FOR MIMCAP TOP AND BOTTOM PLATES

## ABSTRACT

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A method of forming MIM capacitor top (16) and bottom (12) plates, using a first and second resist (18/20) and a single RIE process. A first conductive layer (12) is deposited over a substrate (10). An insulating layer (14) is deposited over the first conductive layer (12). A second conductive layer (16) is deposited over the insulating layer (14). A first resist (18) is deposited over the second conductive layer (16), and the first resist (18) is patterned. A second resist (20) is deposited over the first resist (18) and patterned. The first and second resist (18/20) patterns are simultaneously transferred to the first and second conductive layers (12) and (16), respectively, by exposure to a single reactive ion etch (RIE) process.